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CLEAN-UP/LANDSCAPING PROJECT FOR NATIONAL CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



Project Goal

To create a clean and fun forest pathway to benefit the families at the NCCF in order to ensure a healthy and peaceful stay.

Project Description

A group of people work together in a variety of tasks to create a path way through a forest for families at a homeless shelter to go for peace and relaxation. Involves taking out old plants, preparing flower beds for winter, and generally beautifying the campus.

Timeline for Planning

- Set date about a few **months** before project
- Publicize within the company about **2 months** in advance
- Repeat requests for employee signup
- Coordinator needs to work with NCCF staff to organize logistics and publicize what volunteers should bring, and what to wear

How many Volunteers?

About 15-20 volunteers. The firm has a coordinator who leads the project. New people are encouraged to coordinate as it's a good way to develop management skills.

Facilities/Materials Needed

All work is done at NCCF. Some landscaping tools are used, but it's mostly work done by hand. Expenses are minimal, food is provided and NCCF provides all the tools.

Challenges

The event takes place **rain or shine**. The rain poses a challenge but there is a backup plan that involves more indoor work, such as stuffing envelopes, and less outdoor work.

Results

The NCCF campus will look so much better at the end of the project! It is also a great networking opportunity and recognition in the community for work done.

Special points of interest

- > All work is done at NCCF. Some landscaping tools are used but it's mostly by hand.
- > Food is provided by local business. In exchange, our organization provides shirts with logo.
- > Make sure there are enough jobs for each volunteer!

